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R 200838Z SEP 75
FM AMEMBASSY BERLIN
TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 1410
AMEMBASSY WARSAW
USMISSION USBERLIN UNN
AMEMBASSY BONN

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E.O. 11652: NA
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SUBJECT: TRAIN TRANSIT OF GDR

REF: MOSCOW'S 11931

1. WITH REGARD TO 2.C OF REFTEL, THE EMBASSY WILL ASSIST ALL TRAVELERS ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS, INCLUDING ANY MEDICAL EVACUSEES. HOWEVER, THE EMBASSY DOES NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES TO ASSIST PERSONNEL TRAVELING FOR TOURIST PURPOSES. IF EMBASSY MOSCOW HAS SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SPECIFIC TRAVELER, WE WOULD TREAT THAT ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS.

2. WITH REGARD TO 2.A. AND B., WE MERELY NOTE THAT BEARERS OF U.S. OFFICIAL PASSPORTS HAVE ENCOUNTERED DIFFICULTIES IN CROSSING THE SECTOR TO SECTOR LINE DIVIDING BERLIN WHEN THEY HAVE BEEN TRANSPORTED IN VEHICLES OTHER THAN THOSE PROVIDED BY USBER WHICH HAVE MILITARY DRIVERS. ON THE QUESTION OF TRAVELING ON REGULAR PASSPORTS, THE EMBASSY NOTES THAT SUCH A TRAVELER MIGHT LOSE WHATEVER BENEFITS HE OR SHE WOULD RECEIVE FROM TRAVELING ON A US DIPLOMATIC AND OFFICIAL PASSPORT. FURTHER, THE RISK OF STAMPING-IN OF EXIT CACHETS BY GDR OFFICIALS AT THE SECTOR-TO-SECTOR LINE WOULD
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BE HIGH. SUCH STAMPING OF A TOURIST PASSPORT BORNE

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BY A PERSON WITH OFFICIAL USG STATUS MAY BE CONTRARY
TO ALLIED TRAVEL POLICY. COOPER

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